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MOSCOW 258, PARIS 209, POLAD USAREUR 235, USAF 39, PRIORITY
USAF ADVON UNNUMBERED.

PARIS FOR EMBASSY, USRO, CINCEUR THURSTON AND WEST.

AT 1123Z MARCH 31 SOVIET CONTROLLER BASE MADE FOLLOWING ORAL
PROTEST TO AMERICAN CONTROLLER:

BEGIN TEXT

ON MARCH 30 U.S. AIRCRAFT C-47, CALL SIGN AF 03295, PILOT
PETIT, WAS COMING FROM VEDON (ETAIN) FRANCE TO BERLIN TEMPEL-
HOF VIA SOUTH CORRIDOR. AT 2125 MOSCOW TIME AIRCRAFT VIOLATED
BORDER OF CORRIDOR IN VICINITY OF NORDHAUSEN AND CONTINUED
FLIGHT OUTSIDE CORRIDOR KGR 20 MINUTES. AT 2145 MOSCOW TIME
AIRCRAFT ENTERED CORRIDOR IN VICINITY OF QUEDLINBURG. IN
CONNECTION WITH FACT THIS U.S. AIRCRAFT WAS OUTSIDE CORRIDOR
FOR CONSIDERABLE PERIOD OF TIME AND CONSTITUTED DANGER TO
FLIGHTS OF OTHER AIRCRAFT IN ABOVE AREA SOVIET SECTION PROTESTS
AGAINST THIS VIOLATION AND DEMANDS THAT MEASURES BE TAKEN TO
PREVENT RECURRENCE OF SUCH VIOLATIONS.

END TEXT

ON MARCH 30 SOVIET CONTROLLER INFORMED AMERICAN CONTROLLER
OF SAME CORRIDOR VIOLATION AND STATED SOVIETS WERE NOT
MAKING PROTEST, BUT PASSING INFORMATION ONLY.

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